

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Toshikazu KAMEI et al.**

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For: **HEAT-RESISTANT SEPARATOR**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: July 31, 2001

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

4. (Amended) The heat-resistant separator according to one of Claims 1 or 2, wherein said high-melting resin is selected from the group consisting of polyester, polyphenylene sulfide, polymethyl pentene and polyamide.

6. (Amended) The heat-resistant separator according to one of Claims 1 or 2, wherein said non-woven fabric is melt-blown.

12. (Amended) The heat-resistant separator of one of Claims 1, 7, or 10, which is used for a battery or capacitor.

REMARKS

The above amendment to the claims has been made to correct the multiple dependency of the claims and to put the application in better condition for examination.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

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Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 4, 6 and 12 have been amended as follows:

4. (Amended) The heat-resistant separator according to one of Claims 1 [to 3] or 2, wherein said high-melting resin is selected from the group consisting of polyester, polyphenylene sulfide, polymethyl pentene and polyamide.

6. (Amended) The heat-resistant separator according to one of Claims 1 [to 5] or 2, wherein said non-woven fabric is melt-blown.

12. (Amended) The heat-resistant separator of one of Claims 1 [to 11], 7, or 10, which is used for a battery or capacitor.